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Via ECFS Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, S.W. Washington, D.C. 20554

Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to 47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1

Dear FCC,

I currently rely on residential phone and internet (ADSL) service in Mountain View, CA thorough Sonic's Fusion internet + phone service which uses unbundled AT&T copper lines and backhaul fiber to the central office for connection to my home. The Sonic Fusion service provides significant internet speed and privacy, cost, phone feature and customer support advantages over land line service directly with AT&T which I had in the past. Ending Sonic's access to unbundled copper lines and backhaul fiber connections in my area would end my provider's ability to provide me a highly competitive and superior broadband and phone service and would significantly threaten its economic survival since they are dependent on unbundled access for almost 2/3 of their customers at the present time.

The net effect of the proposed deregulation would be to decrease competition by severely disadvantaging smaller local providers, leading to increased costs and decreased options to customers and slowing down innovation and build out of fiber networks and new services.

I strongly support broadband and phone service competition and recommend disapproval of US Telecom's forbearance petition.

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